## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

STATE OF NEW MEXICO ex rel., State Engineer,

Plaintiff,

No. 69cv07941-BB-ACE RIO CHAMA STREAM SYSTEM Section 7

VS.

ROMAN ARAGON, et al.,

Defendants.

## REPLY TO STATE OF NEW MEXICO'S RESPONSE TO MOTION TO ALLOW CONSIDERATION OF LATE FILED RESPONSE

Henry G. Coors for his reply to the State's response states as follows:

- 1. He admits that he did not file a timely response nor seek an extension of time. The information necessary to reply to the motion was packed away in storage. It was necessary for him to find materials relating to his travel during the time period in question in order to provide the Court with an itinerary as to his whereabouts and why he was unable to receive notice of the hearing at the time.
- 2. Mr. Coors would note that many Default Judgments in this case have been set aside for various reasons and that local rule 1.7 allows a judge to waive a rule to avoid injustice. Mr. Coors believes that the Court should consider all of the facts before ruling on the Motion to Set Aside the Default Judgment and that there is no prejudice to the parties opposing the Motion considering the late filed response.
- 3. Further, Mr. Coors would point out that he does not seek to preserve water rights for himself but for the Rutheron Water Association in which he no longer has a

financial interest.

WHEREFORE, Mr. Coors prays that the Court consider the late filed response in deciding the Motion to Set Aside Default Judgment.

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